

**AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Page 1, after the title at line 3, please insert the following heading and paragraph:**

**--PRIORITY CLAIM**

This is a U.S. national stage of application No. PCT/EP03/02125, filed on February 28, 2003.

Priority is claimed on that application and on the following application:

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**Page 1, prior to line 4, please insert the following heading:**

**--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.**

**Page 2, prior to line 18, please insert the following heading:**

**--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.**

**Page 2, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 23.**

**Page 6, prior to line 9, please insert the following heading:**

**--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.**

**Page 4, prior to line 13, please insert the following heading:**

**--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--.**

**Page 7, beginning at line 3, please amend the paragraph as follows:**

The individual stator segments 3 are connected to one another by electrical connecting elements (not shown) and by detachable channel connectors 6, whose function will be described further below.

**Page 10, please delete the entire section entitled "List of Reference Numbers."**